

**PATENT APPLICATION
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q78137

Werner BEISEL, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/697,108

Group Art Unit: 2611

Confirmation No.: 8426

Examiner: Siu M Lee

Filed: October 31, 2003

For: SIGNALS OF DEFECTS FOR HW SUPPORTED PROTECTION SWITCHING INSIDE
AN OPTICAL CROSS-CONNECTED SYSTEM

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of three months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of December 5, 2007 to March 5, 2008.

The statutory fee of **\$930.00** (difference of the \$120.00 previously paid on January 7, 2008) is being charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880 via EFS Payment Screen. The USPTO is also directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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